

# AMERICORPS

## MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

### **PURPOSE**

Provide civic leaders with the human resources for addressing their most pressing civic problems, while giving young people an opportunity to serve their communities in exchange for an education stipend.

### **AUTHORIZATION**

42 U.S.C. § 12511 et seq.

### **HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS**

Applications are made to the Missouri Community Service Commission, which administers the program, in the areas of education, human needs, public safety, and the environment. Programs begin in August of each year, and participants commit to a one-year term of service. At the successful completion of that service, the participant receives an education award (\$4,725 for full time service).

### **ELIGIBLE AREAS**

Statewide.

### **ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS**

Any not-for-profit organization, unit of local or state government, school, college, or university.

### **APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

The Missouri Community Service Commission accepts applications early each year and reviews the application according to published criteria. Funding decisions are made annually by June.

### **FUNDING LIMITS**

Missouri receives a formula allotment of approximately \$1.5 million annually from the Corporation for National Service. The Missouri Community Service Commission encourages applicants to structure programs no larger than 15 to 20 AmeriCorps members, or Federal budgets of about \$225,000.

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### **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

Go to the department's home page at [www.missouridevelopment.org](http://www.missouridevelopment.org) for a wealth of information regarding this program and Missouri's many other economic development programs and policies.